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Compliance Review - Management Report

The First Nations Political Party

Review Schedule

Planned date s316(2A) notice to be issued:22 February 2013Estimated date for preparation of draft report:Early June '13

Review Coverage

This is a non-standard compliance review of the 2011 – 2012 disclosure return. This party is infinitesimal in nature and influence. It was only recently registered as a political party on 06/01/2011. The initial compliance review was used as an educational exercise as total receipt and payment figures in the 2011-12 return are \$535 & \$121 respectively.

As per your agreement, I conducted a very restricted review/assessment for this party. The magnitude of monetary flows into and out of this party is far less than the average amounts of funds that is handled by party units of major political parties.

This entity is a small indigenous political party operating within the Northern Territory. It has no parliamentary representation at any level of Government. Therefore my assessment would be that at this point in time, the level of risk and public interest associated to it would be miniscule to non-existent.

Review Hours

Approved Hours:50 hoursUsed Hours:21.5 hours (upto 19/6/2013)Estimated Total hours used:25

Staff

Team Leader/Review Officer: Alan Page Supervisor: Brad Edgman



Other Comments

Although Mr Hart failed to attend the initial interview as set out in the initial Section 316(2A) notice, he did agree to meet us at 9.30am on the following day. Mr Hart kept this appointment.

Electronic lodgement: We did not push this process as Mr Hart is 71 years of age and did not show any knowledge of computer skills. I found Mr Halpin to be very approachable and he was forthright in his opinion. This party will be continually monitored by the Disclosure section of FAD.

This party will receive an information session similar to the one recently conducted.

Recommendations

Recommendation 1: Based on the small monetary movement and influence of this party, it should rate as very low risk for future annual assessment of a yearly program. An information session will be included in any future compliance trip to NT.

Recommendation 2: Reduce the Estimated Hours: to 25

